

MINUTES

MONTANA SENATE 60th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON FISH AND GAME

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN JOSEPH (JOE) TROPILA**, on March 27, 2007 at 3:45 P.M., in Room 422 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Sen. Joseph (Joe) Tropila, Chairman (D)
Sen. Keith Bales (R)
Sen. Joe Balyeat (R)
Sen. Gregory D. Barkus (R)
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)
Sen. Ken (Kim) Hansen (D)
Sen. Larry Jent (D)
Sen. Lane L. Larson (D)
Sen. Bill Tash (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: None.

Staff Present: Claudia Johnson, Committee Secretary
Joe Kolman, Legislative Branch

Audio Committees: These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing & Date Posted: HJ 16, 3/23/2007
Executive Action: None.

01:04:26 Chairman Tropila

HEARING ON HJ 16

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

01:05:02 **SEN. GALLUS** opened the hearing for **REP. RICK RIPLEY (R)**, HD 17, on **HJ 16**, Urge revision & recodification of Title 87.

Proponents:

01:06:07 Pete Howard, Judge for Teton County, Montana Magistrates' Association (MMA)

EXHIBIT(fis65a01)

01:15:09 Mary Ann O'Malley, Justice of the Peace, Madison County Justice Court

01:17:59 Bob Lane, Chief Legal Counsel, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

EXHIBIT(fis65a02)

01:21:26 Sen. Larry Jent

01:24:59 Rep. Ripley

01:25:19 Joe Coble, Teton County Attorney

01:27:08 Justin Lee, Attorney, Teton County Attorney

01:28:46 Mike Weber, Richland County Attorney, Montana County Attorney's Association

01:29:13 Mary "Marty" Phippen, Montana Magistrates' Association

Opponents: None.

Informational Testimony: None.

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

01:30:11 Sen. Tash to Bob Lane, FWP

01:31:20 Sen. Barkus to Rep. Ripley

01:32:39 Sen. Barkus to Bob Lane, FWP

01:36:07 Sen. Jent to Rep. Ripley

Closing by Sponsor:

01:37:24 Rep. Ripley

Discussion:

01:37:59 Chairman Tropila

EXECUTIVE ACTION ON HJ 16

01:38:15 **Motion:** SEN. TASH moved that HJ 16 BE CONCURRED IN.

Discussion:

01:38:46 Sen. Tash withdrew his motion

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 4:30 P.M.

SEN. JOSEPH (JOE) TROPILA, Chairman

CLAUDIA JOHNSON, Secretary

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Additional Exhibits:

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